

MILWAUKEE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Deb Falk-Palec, Chairperson
Tim Ochnikowski, Director
July 11th, 2016

MINUTES

St. John's Properties
1800 N. Prospect Ave
1:00 PM

ITEM I CALL TO ORDER

1:00pm

ITEM II ROLL CALL

Chair Falk-Palec led the self-introductions of everyone in attendance.

Commissioners Present: Deb Falk-Palec, Cheri McGrath, Tom Jacobs, Tracy Harrington, Chris Fox, Jon Janowsk, Barbara Leigh, Denise Koss, Sue Pickering, Supervisor Johnson, Andrzej Walz-Chojnacki, Marcia Perkins, Luis Arroyo, John Haupt

Commissioners Absent or Excused: Meg Steimle,

Staff: Mike Bonk, Tim Ochnikowski

Guests: Tracy Harrington - MCTS

ITEM III APPROVAL OF MINUTES (July)

Tom Jacobs

ITEM IV SPECIAL REPORT

Jon Janowski – Budget regarding a sustainable transit system. 3 Components to plan to a sustainable transit system. Bus Rapid Transit. Go Pass is having benefit in the community as people are able to get around more. However is it sustainable the current way it is being served. Go Pass loses 3 to 4 million dollars per year for the county budget. Looking to change eligibility for the GO Pass and will work with ADRC's to determine criteria. Vehicle Registration Fee, Sales Tax Increase, or increase in ridership fares are all additional options for additional revenue. BRT has not have any surveys done regarding BRT, and whether staff on the Medical Campus would use it.

ITEM V TRANSIT PLUS REPORT

Chris Fox is the new Mobility Training and Mobility Manager. New Freedom will hit 100,000 rides this year for the first time since its inception in 2009.

ITEM VI COMMITTEE UPDATES

Trust Fund request was made for \$150 for Jim William Mooney, local piano player to play at the Tap the Potential Fashion Show at Wil-O-Way Underwood.

ITEM VII RECREATION UPDATES

Summer Camp Updates
Tap Updates

ITEM VIII CO

Bus stop at St. Francis Hospital is not responsive to the idea of trying to get a stop closer to the hospital.

Eric Hobbs award \$500 to top prize at the Mitchell International Airport Art Show.

John Haupt 2 day ride 1700 riders raised 11,000 65 miles 50 miles on his hand cycle.
Notes on Blindness – Movie for MKE Film Festival.



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Tosa taking the lead on Alternate Bikes. They are suggesting Trike, Hand Cycles, and Side by Side bikes.
Reaching out to city ADA coordinator.
Talking crosswalks still not working.

REVIEW OFFICE REPORT (August)

ITEM VIII COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Recreation Update: Sailing Opportunities have been going great. OPD will create a promo/informational video for next Sailing season. Mike will be meeting with Easter Seals this week to go over a mid-summer camp review. The ratios at camp have been better (1 to 4), including additional church volunteers. Grant Summer Camp additionally shares the summer camp space with Adult Day Services of Southeast Wisconsin, and have been working well together to keep participants separated, and working well together. Additionally Underwood Camp shares space with Goodwill, and have been sharing the space well together as well. RFP has been posted for Seasonal Recreation Programs, and Summer Camps. Summer Camps when structured with activities is going well, but there are days when there is less structure, and more behaviors have been observed. Again the progress meeting later in the week will address these issues.

Bus Stop at St. Francis Hospital: Postponed due to merger with Wheaton Franciscan

Chairperson's Report: Chair Falk-Palec shared some information and articles regarding the bike share program within Wauwatosa. Resolution states "City staff are hereby directed to work with the disabled community to further explore opportunities to seek additional funding to provide equipment which may accommodate the needs of disabled individuals within or alongside the Bublr Bike system within this community, and that staff shall report back to the committee within 120 days as to the progress of such efforts." OPD will reach out to the new ADA coordinator, to make her aware of the Bublr bike program, not being programmatically accessible.

ITEM IX OTHER MATTERS BY COMMISSIONERS

ITEM X OTHER MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

ITEM XI ADJOURN

Chair Falk-Palec adjourned the meeting at 2:11pm. The next meeting of the Commission will be Monday, September 12th, 2016 at 1:00pm at St. John's Properties (1800 N. Prospect Ave, Milwaukee).

Submitted by: Mike Bonk, Staff to the Commission